(c) whether commercial production of the tea has been started by the APFC; and

(d) whether any private party has also been allowed to grow tea in Arunachal Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Arunachal Pradesh Forest Corporation Ltd., who was granted permission by the Tea Board on 11-1-83 for planting tea on an area of 400 ha at their Mopa Tea Estate is reported to have planted an area of approximately 146.99 ha so far.

(c) Arunachal Pradesh Forest Corporation Ltd., do not have any factory for manufacturing tea till now but they are selling green leaves to the neighbouring tea gardens like Sri Nanda Tea Estate for processing of tea.

(d) Private entrepreneurs have been allowed to grow tea in Arunachal Pradesh. So far four tea companies have submitted their proposal to the Tea Boa^d for planting tea in a total area of 1365 ha.

Introduction of environmental friendly products in market

1070. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government had decided to bring out in the market environmental friendly products and if so, details of the products already brought out and are likely to enter the market in near future;

(b) whether Government also assessed their market potential;

(c) the likely impact of environmental friendly products on the sale of other products; and

(d) the future plans of Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) to (d) The Government have de cided to institute a scheme on labell ing of environmental friendly pro ducts. The scheme for the Environmental Friendly Labelling of products is intended to encourage en vironmentally appropriate products by drawing attention of consumers to the existence of such products. Its im pact on other products cannot be assessed at this stage.

The scheme will operate on a national bais and provide accredition and labelling of household and other consumer products which meet certain environmental criteria, alongwith quality requirements of the Indian Standards for that product. Sixteen product categories have been identified under the first phase of the scheme, for which criteria are to be determined.

Stuff used by National Institute of Fashion Technology, Delhi

1071. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA; WiU the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) what is the basic stuff used by the National Institute of Fashion Technology, Delhi in designing new fashion garments;

(b) whether khadi is also used by the institute for designing purposes;

(c) if so, the quantity of khadi used by the Institute during the last three years together with the quantity and value of purchase of khadi; and

(d) the quantity of other varieties of textiles used by the Institute during the same period.

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT): (a) to (d) The objective of the National Institute of

Fashion Technology is education, training and research for human resources development for the garment sector. The Institute does not engage itself in producing fashion garments and therefore, does not buy significant quantities of fabrics of any type.

1072. *{Transferred to 9th Sep tember,* 1991).

1073. *(Transferred to 12th .Sep-tember,* 1991).

1074. *(Transferred to 12th* Sepv *tember,* 1991).

Sterilisation targets and achievements

1075. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what was the target set for sterilisation by different States during Seventh Plan period and the actual achievement by the end of the plan period;

(b) whether Government have set higher target for sterilisation during Eighth Five Year Plan period;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(d) the additional initiatives proposed to be given to encourage sterilisation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) A statement giving State-wise and year-wise targets fixed and achievements made during Seventh Plan in respect of Sterilisation is given at Annexure.

[See Appendix EX, Annexure No. 45).

(b) and (c) The Working Group on Populations Project and Family Planning had suggested a target of 31.8 million sterilisations for the Eighth Five Year Plan (1990—95) period against which the actual targets set for 1990-91 and 1991-92 are 5.8 million and 5.43 million respectively.

(d) While no additional monetary incentives to encourage sterilisation are contemplated, efforts are being made for improving the quality of services and for great motivation of acceptors.

Desalination of Chilka Lake in Orissa

1076. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Govern ment of Orissa has submitted any proposal to Central Government for desalination of Chilka Lake;

(b) if so, the details of the proposal; and

(c) whether any other steps are being taken by the Union Government to restore the environmental balance of Chilka Lake?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Yes, Sir. Soil conservation in the catchment area, habitat improvement of Nalabana and generating environmental awareness are among the steps being taken in this regard. So far, as amount of Rs. 65.27 lakhs has been released for these activities. The State Government has also drawn up a project for conservation and development of Chilka lake involving an outlay of Rs. 50 crores.

India's trade with Japan

1077. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: WiU the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the items being exported to Japan;